

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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BY EMAIL

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Re:

Lower Passaic River Study Area Portion of the Diamond Alkali Superfund Site Administrative Order on Consent, CERCLA Docket No. 02-2007-2009 Revised Performance Guarantee for Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study

Dear Mr. Hyatt:

Pursuant to Paragraphs 100 and 102(b)(ii) of the Administrative Order on Consent, CERCLA Docket No. 02-2007-2009, this will advise that the Environmental Protection Agency accepts the proposal for a revised Performance Guarantee, as set forth in your letter dated January 9, 2013 and your proposed Fifth Amendment to Trust Agreement for the Lower Passaic River Study Area Portion of the Diamond Alkali Superfund Site Dated May 10, 2007.

We look forward to receipt of the executed Fifth Amendment.

Sincerely yours,

Stephanie Vaughn, Remedial Project Manager

Lower Passaic River Study Area RI/FS

cc: S. Flanagan, EPA